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Your Opinion Needed

New Community Park Project

By

Phil Johnson

The mass of concrete that sits adjacent to the James Rolfe Playground at Army and Potrero Ave. will soon be a park. The Buena Vista School, the Farm and the Mission Planning Council were the prime movers in getting the site selected.

The city has purchased the 6.7 acre plot of land for \$700,000. The funds were made available through Prop. J, which the voters passed two years ago. The proposition sets aside a small percentage of the property tax to save open space in the city.

According to Martin Greenlaw, the open space coordinator for San Francisco, the park development will cost \$500,000. The city will ask the Board of Supervisors for \$50,000 for the planning of the park in the 1977-78 fiscal year, beginning July 1.

The planning would be done under the direction of the Park and Recreation Department Engineering Division, with community input through public meetings.

The community groups involved in the project have another idea. They want the planning done entirely by the community.

The Farm, the Mission Planning Council and the Buena Vista School have formed a cooperative called GROWING (Group Responsibility of Wonderful Work in Nature Green), which will try to get the landscape design contract for the new park.

According to Bonnie Sherk, a leading figure in the Farm, the multi-faceted educational concern next to site of the new park, GROWING has been organized to tap the creative impulses in neighborhoods around the park. A composite of all the ideas generated would be the final design of the park.

"I feel very positive about this being a time for possibility, for involving more people in the life of the city. GROWING would have at least four community forums about design. It would provide a large scale training program for the people in the area," Sherk said.

The city has already done one feasibility study on the site. According to Doug Martin of Park and Recreation, the site was looked over in the fall to determine if a soccer facility could be put on the property. Martin said that the site could hold a soccer field, but with endzones, bleachers and safety space, it would take up most of the property.

Some of the ideas Sherk mentioned for GROWING were a meadow, hills, a play area and space for community gardens.

"If we can bring the people into the planning of this park, there would be a greater connection between city people. We're taking a wholistic approach, because life in the city is so fragmented," Sherk said.

GROWING is likely to meet resistance from the city in getting the design contract. Citizens designing their own park will not sit well with traditional bureaucracies.

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Community Center—Will we get it?

by

Pat Helton

Early in 1976 Bernal Heights was designated as one of five neighborhoods who need a community center. The decision was made by City Planning and based on an outside study

of social needs as related to social services available in the neighborhood. Our neighborhood is high in social need and low in available social services.

But, in May, 1976, The S.F. Board of Supervisors did not accept the City Planning Department's recommendation that 1.5 million dollars from the Federal Government's Community Development monies be used to build or buy five buildings in five S.F. neighborhoods to be used as community centers. Instead they instructed the D.C.P. to come back with more detailed plans and a guaranteed seven-year financing of a Community Center in Bernal Heights, without using any city money.

This situation has variously been called by the neighborhood and others as a Catch 22 situation (if you saw that movie), or a Hall of Mirrors. In other words, social agencies are

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The Police in Bernal Heights

By

Nerissa Moran

Citizens of San Francisco have been concerned about crime for some time, but the present Board of Supervisors has not seen fit to do anything about it until their neighborhoods were affected.

With an unemployment rate of over 10%, the answer of the Supervisors and Police Department seems to be more police and tougher laws at the

expense of jobs and community centers for the citizens of San Francisco.

In an interview with Police Captain Jeremiah P. Taylor, who is in charge of the district which includes Bernal Heights, Taylor was reassuring, with many facts at hand, that Bernal is getting its fair share of police coverage. However, as one small businessman in our community has pointed out, crime is so bad that loss of profit and fear may soon drive him out of our community.

One problem, as Capt. Taylor pointed out, is manpower. There simply aren't enough policemen, he said, especially when there are special events, to give more protection. The other main problem, according to Taylor, is to deter crime.

"We would reduce crimes by 1/3 if we really sent criminals to jail. This is our 'social defense'. We can't do it with laws the way they are," Taylor said.

He believes that unemployment has nothing to do with crime, thinking

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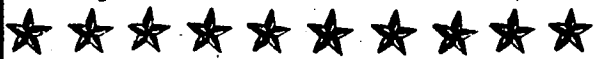
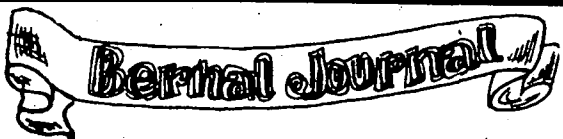
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The Bernal Journal is an open forum of the community sponsored by the Bernal Heights Association and the Bernal Fund. It is dedicated to providing the people of Bernal Heights with neighborhood news, ideas, issues, people, and things to do. Editorial decisions are by interested people who contribute. The next meeting is March 2, Wed. 8 p.m. 307 Cortland. All are welcome.

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Our apologies for the many fine articles we received but were unable to print because of lack of space. We're hoping to have a larger issue next time. Want to help?

Poets and Writers, Distributors, Artists, Typists, Reporters. Also we need to buy or be able to use a carbon typewriter.

Please send your articles to Phil or Gregg, 1621 York Street, 94110; or if you want to talk, call 826-0842.

Police

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that crimes are unrelated to economic conditions.

Recently, there have been hearings in three high-crime neighborhoods around the use of Community Development funds for crime prevention. According to the S.F. Examiner, the general sentiment from the people was that more jobs were needed along with recreational facilities for the youth in the communities.

What do you think about crime? These are our taxes that are being spent. What do you think should be done with them? More police or more jobs? Whatever your views, write the Bernal Journal or call 824-0591 in the evenings. More articles will be printed about what is happening and what the people of Bernal Heights think about the situation.

New Park

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"It's a political situation, for sure," Shirk said. "But we have another kind of power and strength coming from the people."

At a press conference on the site in December, Mayor George Moscone signed the enabling legislation to purchase the property for the park. After thanking a string of 30 or so city officials for the project, Moscone mentioned the Farm and Mission Planning in passing. He then politely exited to the waiting television crews without answering any questions.

This end of town, with its heavy Democratic registration, was a large factor in Moscone's election victory

over the conservative John Barbarelata. Moscone wants a close association with this park project, the first such project with Prop. J funds.

The efforts of the Farm and the Mission Planning Council were instrumental in getting this project off the ground, now it is in the hands of the city bureaucracy. If the city is interested in involving the community in this park project, then perhaps they should look to the cooperative GROWING as the vehicle for that participation.

Information about GROWING and the park project is available from Bonnie Sherk at the Farm and Toby Levine at Mission Planning.



Community Center

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reluctant to promise to locate in Bernal Heights and allocate money to that end without some assurance that their program will be successful and without some idea of what the facilities will be. But, we can't offer them anything specific until we find money for maintenance, administration and overhead from social-agencies or some other way. Of course, a seven year commitment from a social agency is hard to manage since most agencies don't know their budgets from one year to another.

All this...and more, believe me, the community center committee has been dealing with during its meetings the first and third Mondays of every month, at 8 p.m., at 307 Cortland,

our temporary Community Center. If you would like to attend these meetings, we welcome you.

In addition, WE INVITE YOU TO A BIG NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING TO RECEIVE REACTIONS TO WHAT HAS BEEN DONE. Already we are considering four sites and have a list of potential neighborhood groups and social agencies who could utilize the center.

THE CENTER WILL BE FOR YOU...FOR EVERYONE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD...WE NEED YOU TO HELP US...PLEASE COME!

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Community Congress

Following the November victory of Proposition T (District election of supervisors) those of us who live in district 9 have been meeting with a city-wide coalition to implement Proposition T and to convene Community Congresses in each district in late April, followed by a city-wide Congress in late May.

We have determined some areas of concern to the congress, but we would like to have wider input and participation from our neighbors in District 9, which encompasses Bernal Heights, Engleside, and Glen Park.

WHAT DO YOU CONSIDER PRIORITIES FOR YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD?

☐ Jobs ☐ City Services ☐ Housing

☐ The Criminal Justice System

☐ Childcare ☐ Taxation ☐ Education

☐ Transportation ☐ Health Care

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SF Ca, 94110 or drop of at Bernal Heights Library, 500 Cortland

If you have any questions call:

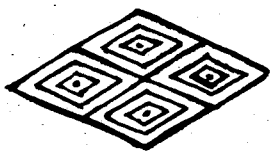
Susan Brier, 647-4302

Judy Forsberg, 282-3620

Library

THE BERNAL LIBRARY is celebrating Brotherhood Week and Black History Week with film programs on Tues Feb. 22. At 11 am and 2 pm, the preschool films will be WHISTLE FOR WILLIE, CROW BOY, GILBERTO AND THE WIND, and ARROW TO THE SUN. Films for older children are at 4 pm; they will be AFRICAN STORYTELLER, WEAPONS OF GORDON PARKS, and LONNIE'S DAY.

Preschool story hours continue at 10:15 am Tues. and 1:30 Thurs; parents, grandparents, babysitters are welcome to come to these sessions of stories, poems, and fingerplays with children 3-5.



ROBERT G. MOSER

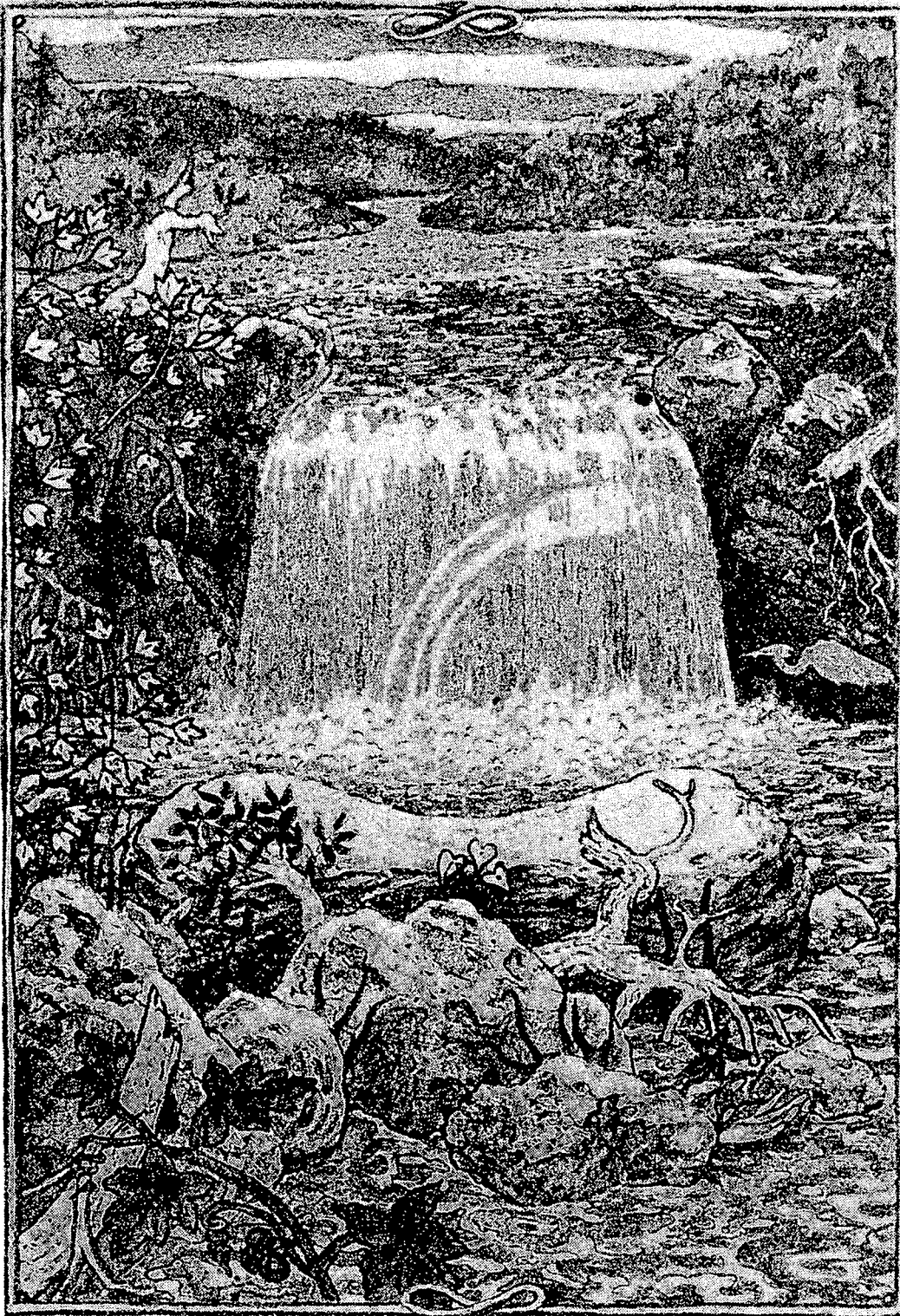
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The picture above is one example of the exhibit of graphics and watercolors by Omer Wilson which will be featured at the Bernal Branch Library from Feb. 2 to March 2. The library is located at 500 Cortland Avenue.

Precita Notes

Anew pottery class is starting on Wed. Jan. 19 at 7:30pm in "Figure-Building and Primitive Firing", taught by Perry Bard, a Bernal Heights artist. The class is for 18 years and over. Sign up with Perry.

On Thursdays at 7:30 we are starting a Precita graphic and writing Bulletin Workshop. This new project will attempt to further the creativity and communication amongst our youth and all interested neighbors. The Bulletin will be a multi-color mimeograph bulletin with graphics and all forms of writing. Anyone interested come on Thursday!

Headstart Preschool has openings for 3-5 year olds (especially girls!!). The program is free and is from Tues-Fri. from 9-1. Call 285-4050.

The Conga Class, previously scheduled on Tuesday evenings is now being held on Thursdays from 6:30 - 8:30pm.

***The Precita Program Board is recruiting members. If you are interested in starting programs or working on projects at the center, or even just interested in neighborhood development, please contact the staff or come to a Board meeting held on the first Monday of each month at 7:30pm. Call 285-7833 for more information.

SALSA! There will be a free salsa dance class on Fri. Jan. 28th, 7-9pm at the Precita Center. The class will be held once a month and is presented by the Ballet Folklorico de San Francisco, Tony Bryant, instructor. Everyone come to learn the mambo, cha cha, rumba, etc.

BROTHERS & SISTERS UNITED PRE SCHOOL is opening again at 307 Cortland. Volunteers and children are welcomed. Drop in mornings, Monday-Thursday.

TOP-OF-THE-HILL CLEANUP Sundays Feb. 20 and Mar. 20, 1 p.m. at the chain leading to the microwave station. Free exercise and satisfaction guaranteed.



HAVE YOU SEEN JASON?

This child, Jason Michel, age 3, has been missing since January 8. He disappeared while fishing at the Hyde Street Pier with his father, Robert Michel. Witnesses have seen him in the North Beach area. Jason is 3 feet tall, weighs about 50 pounds and has curly dark blonde hair. He was last seen wearing a beige jersey shirt, blue levis, and blue tennis shoes. Anyone with information concerning Jason, please contact: Juvenile Detail at 553-1321, or his parents, Helen and Robert Michel at 647-2696.

WOOD WORKING by bob grimes

Bernal Heights is a neighborhood containing people with more skills than any of us know. I'm a woodwright. I'll try to answer any questions you have about woodworking: the right tool to use, dealing with building codes, where to get the materials you need, etc. I'll try to clear up some of the mystique behind my trade. Any questions you have please drop me a card (at 169 Bonview St.) or call 826-4231 in the evenings. I'll print the more general questions and answers of interest to us in this column along with a running course in woodworking.

Which end of the nail should I hit?

When you're nailing close to the edge of a board, tap the pointed end first. A dull point won't split the wood as much. It pushes through the wood fibers rather than cutting between them.

How come I bend so many nails?

Most nails get bent because your head is dirty. Your hammer head, that is. Keep a piece of sandpaper handy and shine your hammer head whenever it looks yukkier.

Also, hold your hammer so the handle is perpendicular to the nail and they'll go in easier.

As lumber ages it gets harder. You'll sometimes have to pre-drill used lumber just to get the nails in straight.

Remember to hold the pieces of

SENIOR ADVISORY COUNCIL --

October 1973 the San Francisco Commission on the Aging (C.O.A.) was established to represent the elderly and to insure they receive their fair share of benefits and services.

This Commission considers its major responsibility to be advocacy with and on behalf of all the elderly in San Francisco.

In 1974, the State of California and National Government designated this Commission of the Aging in San Francisco as the official Area Agency of Aging (A.A.A.) and the focal point for the delivery of all services to the elderly.

It is the agency to receive funds under the Older Americans Act of 1965. The agency will: provide leadership to insure that this city's Senior Citizens have their basic needs met in an efficient manner, coordinate limited resources for services, survey existing service programs and improve their quality, and develop new sources of funds and resources to meet these needs.

In order to have a close relationship with the community this San Francisco C.O.A. desires a strong advisory council forum for suggestions of senior needs, services and changes.

In late 1976, using the five health districts of our city, a small volun-

teer committee did what it could to inform seniors and others about the C.O.A., the purpose of an advisory council and plans for an election. This pioneer effort was to elect 21 seniors, who were consumers and services, age 60+ and 9 providers of services of any age in each district. These 150 elected members, the new Senior Community Advisory Council (SCAC) meets Jan. 25 to elect officers and establish work committees similar to the work committees of the C.O.A. The Senior Community Advisory Council makes suggestions to the COA at the regular business meeting the first Wednesday of the month in the Health Building, 3rd floor, 101 Grove St., 9:30 a.m. From 9:30 to 10:00 a.m. suggestions from the public at large are heard by the COA before its regular agenda is followed. A part of the regular agenda is a report by the President of the SCAC. However, only the COA takes the action, votes on motions, etc.

The Senior Community Advisory Council meets the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Health Building, 3rd floor, 101 Grove St., 9:30 a.m.

You are invited to observe and make suggestions 9:30-10 a.m. Thereafter the agenda of SCAC will be followed.

Bernal Heights Area is in District III. MAUREEN LAMB

wood you're nailing tightly together because the more they bounce the more nails you'll bend.

I always hit my finger. Why?

Things have a tendency to go where you look. Keep your eyes on the nail head.

What size nail should I use?

A general rule is three times the thickness of the wood you're nailing through. Box nails are thinner gauge than common nails and don't split the wood as much. Common nails hold better.

Home Renovations

If you are interested in any home improvement, or renovation, we have a net-work which can provide these services. A reliable contractor in the area is using neighborhood youth to do the work. The work to be done will be supervised by the contractor and satisfaction is guaranteed.

To find out more about this, you may contact Charles Williams at the Bernal Heights E.O.C. Office.

PANGAEA CENTER FOR THE ARTS, 517 Cortland has performances every Friday and Saturday. Why not drop by or get on their mailing list. Also, every Saturday, February 5-26, will be free workshops 12-2, 2:30-4 for improvisational performers.

Poet's Corner

by
Steve Orlich

The formless sleeps within the form,
So still beneath this passing storm
This one unblinking eye of mind
Is found disguised in every kind
Of rock and plant, tall tree and
stream,

Within the fabric of every dream
This being robes itself in light,
Forgetting itself, it falls to night
And then awakes in field of time
Where questions, doubting, fill
the mind

That seeks the answer, who am I?
Now awake forever, someday I'll die.
But when my body meets the ground
Where seeds are sleeping without
sound

My essence, so still and ever pure,
Will go on forever, of this I'm sure.
The ocean, blue and boundless,
laps upon a sandy shore.

Right here we feel its push and pull
and hear its crashing roar.
Here its waves break endlessly
upon the crystal beach.

And here at its containing edge into
its essence our souls can reach.
Here we feel its cool wet spray
and see its snow white foam.
And here at the edge we stand
forever on the shore that is
our home.

BERNAL HEIGHTS

B.H.A. to Hold Elections

A neighborhood coordinator is needed who is really interested in everything that is going on and to whom all neighborhood committees and groups could report. That job is open to any person in the neighborhood who can get elected as President of the Bernal Heights Association.

Additionally there is needed:

Vice President: helps the President coordinate the neighborhood committees and groups. Also shares the chairing of meetings.

Liason to Outside Bernal Heights:

Communicates with other city neighborhood groups.

Liason Inside Bernal Heights: to all our committees and groups.

Recording Secretary: keeps a file on what we commit ourselves to do and encourages us to follow up each commitment.

Corresponding Secretary: keeps copies of letters people write and notifies people of meetings.

Membership: collects dues. Keeps records. Sends out Bernal Jrnl

Treasurer: takes care of the money we have. Fill out forms.

Fund Raising: figures out ways to get money and inspires us to help.

Social: helps us to have a good time.

HOW ARE PEOPLE NOMINATED? You can indicate your willingness to run for office by calling Pat, 647-3665...or leave your name at the library, 500 Cortland. A nominating committee will be appointed at the big neighborhood meeting Feb. 9 at St. Kevins, 8 p.m. (see other story).

HOW ARE PEOPLE ELECTED? At the March meeting, nominees will be introduced to the neighborhood. April is elections and May is a big party for the inauguration. Each meeting will be the second Wed. of the month, 8 p.m., at the New Hall, St. Kevins, Anderson & Cortland. (Thank you St. Kevins for your community service).

Each Bernal Heights Association member can vote who becomes a member a month before the April elections. You can become a member by signing a pledge to help make Bernal Heights a better place to live for all of us. You receive the Bernal Journal and Bernal Notes delivered to your house plus the right to present any neighborhood problem to the steering committee.

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LOCATED? WHAT PART CAN OUR CHURCHES
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CHANTS? OUR PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS?•
THE VARIOUS KINDS OF PRE SCHOOLS..CAN
WE GROW OUR FOOD? CAN WE, AS A
NEIGHBORHOOD, RELATE TO FARMERS AND
GET LARGE AMOUNTS OF FOOD TO CAN
AT A CHEAP COST?

ALL THESE THINGS ARE POSSIBLE, OR
MIGHT BE POSSIBLE. But who is going
to bring it all about? As President
of the Bernal Heights Association
I would like to invite you to an
evening where such thoughts are
entertained...and a few answers
will be shown to you for your interest
and hopefully your participation.

At 7:30 there will be refreshments.
The meeting will start at 8 p.m.
sharp and be over at 9:30 sharp.
From 9:30 to 10:30 will be small
groups and more refreshments. A

time to get acquainted and find
your interests.

NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING:

Wednesday February 9th at 8 pm
St. Kevin's Church New Hall
Cortland and Anderson

Possible groups to be presented:
Community Center..Arts Council..
Political Collective..Police..Ber-
nal Journal..Mental Health..Recycling.
The Farm..Precita Center..C.O.M.O.
M.P.C...B.H.A...Bernal Gym..St. Marys.
Youth Group..Sr. Citizens..Pre School.
Elementary School..Merchants..
physical health center..church
representatives..social activities...

One thing for sure..IT WILL BE
ABOUT BERNAL HEIGHTS AND HOW WE CAN
HELP MAKE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD A BETTER
PLACE TO LIVE. If you have any
special interests, please call.

Pat Helton..647-3665
President, B.H.A.

A MESSAGE TO THE PEOPLE OF BERNAL HEIGHTS

BY MYRTLE WALKER

In a recent issue of The Sunday
Chronicle/Examiner an article de-
scribed Bernal Heights as a neigh-
borhood of many ethnic groups from
all walks of life.

As a member of this Community I am
very concerned when I attend community
meetings only a few are represented.

We have a unique chance to become
a model community and example for
others to follow. Each of us must
have a commitment to our community
in order for us to remain a neigh-
borhood in the true sence of the word.

Any community that has a large

strong group of concerned citizens,
both young and old, has a tremendous
amount of power to preserve its
identity and bring about construc-
tive change as needed. We cannot
accomplish this unless everyone in
Bernal Heights does his share.

This means you!

On Feb. 9 a Community Meeting is
being held at St. Kevins at 7:30.
Now is your chance to come forward
and take an active role as a citizen
in Bernal Heights. Everyone is welcome.

If you feel you need to know more
about our Community Meetings, please
call me at 648-7952 after 6 p.m.

Myrtle Walker
Vice President
Bernal Hts. Assoc.

Penalties for Littering

Resident of Bernal Heights are
all too aware of the refuse dumped
in our streets and in our yards. Some
relief is on the way. In February
a new law takes effect. It authorizes
the police to issue tickets to lit-
terers. The penalty is a fine of
at least \$20 (\$10 for first offense).

In addition the Bernal Heights
Association offers a \$25 reward for
information leading to the arrest
and conviction of people dumping
refuse near Bernal Hill Park. Please
be sure to notify the police first.

Let's help Bernal Heights Roll out
the unwelcome mat for these criminals
who harm the whole community.

YOUTH

We are now entering the planning
stages of the summer youth program.
If you have a group or are interested
in helping, you may contact Charles
Williams at 285-8915. It is not too
late for full participation. Our
first major community meeting is to
be held at a date in the near future.

YES I WANT TO JOIN THE B.H.A.

I pledge to try to better my neighborhood
in any way I can. Here is my ☐ \$2

☐ \$_____ or ☐ Work/Barter Pledge
in place of money.

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SPECIAL INTEREST? _____

Insulation tips ...

By
Shawnee Power

Are you concerned about your PG&E bills? With PG&E help you could reduce or at least maintain your heating expenses. It is all part of their 1976-77 ceiling insulation program that is presently before the State Public Utilities Commission.

Architects and builders generally agree that no single home energy conservation measure has greater potential for energy savings and reduction of heating and cooling bills than insulating. Bernal Heights is an older community with a majority of houses that do not meet the recommended standard for insulation.

How can PG&E help you insul-

ate? Well, the program that is presently before the PUC includes several features that apply directly to the home owner. First PG&E wants to sponsor a low cost loan to enable you to buy the insulation. The plan would allow you to borrow the cost of insulating and pay over a period of 36 months. There would be no interest charge of the amount was paid within 60 days.

PG&E would also come to your home and help determine how much insulation you needed. In fact, that service is available now. You can also get a list of recommended dealers from the company.

PG&E estimates that homeowners could achieve up to 25% energy savings on their heating bills by insulating to the recommended standard. If you are interested in pursuing this cost savings plan, you should call your local PG&E office.

New Center for Art in Mission District

On February 9th, the Art Commission will host a meeting to discuss the future of its newest community cultural center--this one at 25th and Mission Streets.

The building is large (it was previously Shaff's Furniture Store), and we hope it will become the focus of the lively and diverse artistic activities of the greater Mission.

There is space for a gallery, a small theater, a dance floor, as well as areas which could be used for both performing and visual arts workshops.

The Art Commission's staff will administer this new facility. Accordingly, the Commission has adopted general guide-

lines for their governance. The guidelines broadly define the City's relationship to its property, outline the purposes of the facilities, and still allow for flexibility in drawing up rules and procedures at each center.

In order to assure that rules and procedures will truly reflect the needs of neighborhood artists, we hope you'll attend an open meeting on February 9th, 7:00 pm at 362 Capp Street. There we will solicit volunteers for an Interim Council which will draw up rules and regulations governing the operation, use and programming of the facility.

Unemployment Benefits

Are you eligible for unemployment benefits? Have you applied for benefits and been denied? Learn about your rights to unemployment benefits at an informal presentation on Wednesday, February 16, at 7:30 pm at 307 Cortland Ave.; childcare provided.

With unemployment in San Francisco officially at 11% and much higher unofficially, knowing your rights to unemployment benefits is valuable information now and in the future. Knowing the system before you apply or appeal can make the difference between receiving benefits or being denied an income.

This forum is presented by the Bernal Alternative Resources Collective. We're five law students who are planning to establish a legal collective in Bernal Heights. In addition to the informational presentation on February 16, we will be providing individual unemployment counseling and will be representing people in appeal hearings. Counseling will take place regularly. Hours will be announced at the presentation or call Bill at 826-4084 or Jeanette at 282-7024.



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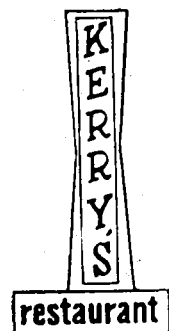
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Mike Nolan Announces For Board of Supervisors

A Bernal Heights resident has announced his candidacy for the the Board of Supervisors in the November election. Mike Nolan, 196 Bocana St., 35 years old, is presently the promoter for the Pickle Family Circus, a non-profit circus, which does many benefits for area service organizations.

Nolan has a colorful background, including an early involvement with the civil rights movement in New York, a stint with CBS news and three years with the San Francisco Mime Troupe.

"I declared for the Board of Supervisors early because I feel it is important for good candidates to announce to prevent the repeal of Prop. T", Nolan said in an interview with the Bernal Journal.

There have been rumors of a movement to get a proposition on the June ballot to repeal Prop. T which brought district supervisors to San Francisco. The same groups which opposed Prop. T in the fall, the Chamber of Commerce, the downtown business interest and many of the present Supervisors, continue their disapproval.

Nolan indicated he would run an issue oriented campaign, including getting more jobs into the city, giving the neighborhoods a handle on city government and working for an economic democracy to serve the public interest rather than the private pursuit of profit.

Nolan feels that district elected supervisors will give the neighborhoods more control of their government. He suggested the city as a whole might look at a system of neighborhood advisory boards that has been in use in Washington, D.C. for some time.

"The boards would be elected by the constituents. You could give them a little muscle by funding a coordinator for each neighborhood. They then could advise supervisors of the needs of particular neighborhoods," Nolan said.

On the subject of economic democracy, Nolan indicated that large corporations are increasingly impinging on people's lives. He pointed to the impending removal of the Safeway on Ocean Ave. by the parent company as an example.

"Now where are those people going to shop? The Coop in Berkeley has been talking about taking over the store, but that's not definite," Nolan said.

Nolan sees the potential for district elections becoming parochial, but, according to Nolan, that could be counteracted by the necessity for coalition building across district lines, where slates of candidates would be endorsed by community and neighborhood groups.

"I hope during the campaign, I can address issues affecting the whole city, such as bringing in more Federal and State funds," Nolan said.

"The unions have got to realize that they have common goals with minorities. The unions should be organizing the unorganized," the candidate said.

Nolan also indicated he was in favor of taxing commuters who work in San Francisco but pay local taxes to other cities and of city residency requirements for city employees.

"Living in the suburbs gives people a suburban mentality; I don't think they understand the problems of the city as well as they might if they lived in the city.

Nolan said he was interested in hearing from anyone about the campaign. He can be contacted at 196 Bocana or 824-2398.

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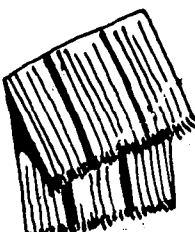
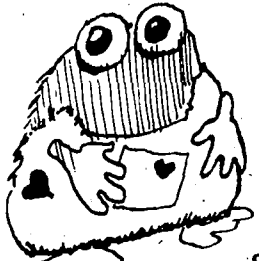

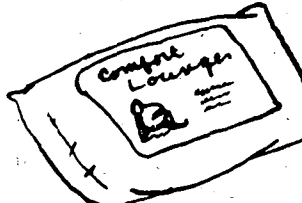
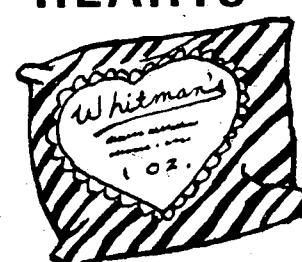


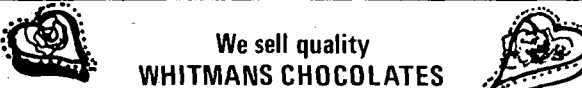

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